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## USE SNAKES IN WAR

California Man Has Scheme to Kill Off Huns.

"Lonesome Jack" Says Side Winders Would Exterminate Whole Boche Army.

Los Angeles, Cal.—"Lonesome Jack" Allman, king of all rattlesnake catchers, offers to gather 10,000 side winders or horned rattlesnakes. If the government will let him, dump them into trenches vacated to the Germans by the Americans and let the snakes do the rest. The side winder is a death snake, extraordinary, strikes three times as fast as any other rattler, and, unlike others, does not act on the heart but paralyzes the nerves within 20 minutes.

Allman would have no trouble in gathering them in Arizona and the Imperial valley, he says. The Germans if they possessed such a deadly weapon would not be able to use it, Allman believes.

"The beauty of my idea is that the rattler can live five or six months in captivity without either food or water and they will be just as effective during that time," says Allman. "I have an antidote for rattlesnake bite that could be supplied to anyone that handles them, but the Germans would not know what stung them."

"My idea would be to catch them and then put their tails in warm water. Then the shell that rattles and gives warning could be removed without injury to the snake. Their fangs are so sharp that unless the warning is given with the rattles a person would hardly know what bit him. Side winders range in size from four to twelve feet.

## MARINE SOUNDS GAS ALARM



Back home, a gong similar to this was sounded when old man Zeke's barn was afire. In the battle zone it's quite a different occasion. This American marine is sounding the alarm so that our boys may be prepared to meet the poisonous gas attack being launched by the Germans by putting on their gas masks, which the marine has already done.

## SAYS FUSSING IS HUMAN

Brooklyn Court Rules It Does Not Constitute Cruel and Inhuman Treatment.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—Squabbles, wordy altercations, unkind and exasperating or even insulting words used in the heat of passion aroused by bickerings do not constitute cruel and inhuman treatment, according to a recent divorce case decision by the appellate division. The court added:

"Unfortunately for our weak nature, these things constitute conduct which renders it unsafe or improper to live together."

Testimony went to show that the wife, who sought divorce and alimony, objected to the presence of a stepson and chased the male members of the family from the house.

"In these squabbles she (the plaintiff) seems to have been able to hold her own," said the court. "We do not think any law requires a domestic exile to support a wife while living apart from her own family."

La Plata, Argentina, has 12 daily newspapers.

## CZECHS IN ITALY MUST WIN OR DIE

Fighting Against Austria, Their Capture Means Nothing but Execution.

## WON'T LEAVE THEIR DEAD

All Fallen Comrades Carried From the Field—These Valorous Warriors Select Their Own Officers and Eliminate Weak and Unfit.

(Special Correspondence of Italian American News Bureau.)

Italian Front.—The Slav soldiers in the Italian army elect their own superiors by the most rigid tests, and thus they are representative of the manhood of their nationalities. The Italian soldiery and people have taken kindly to them.

The first of the proofs of valor they gave are admirable, although limited to modest operations in exploring and raiding. Whether by themselves or with Italian troops, these Czech-Slovaks, arriving from beyond the ocean, have kept up the fire of patriotism and the ardor to fight, and have fought well.

The repatriates of the Czech-Slovak army have been saluted already with brotherly love by the population in the zone of war, especially by the ancient inhabitants of the Veneto, who have the most recent and liveliest recollection of oppression and the convulsive struggle for redemption.

The women of Verona offered them a battle flag in the Bohemian colors, surmounted by a lion. The soldiers recognized the sanctity of the gift and swore an oath that they would die for that emblem of liberty. The expression was not rhetorical and the oath superfluous.

## Are Killed If Captured.

The fate that awaits these new warriors for the ideals of a far-off and oppressed country is shown by the inflexible military rules of the Austrian empire. They are all subjects of the Emperor Carl and as such death is the only thing in store for them if captured.

Their word is for that reason sacred. Neither alive nor dead must they fall into the hands of the enemy. Even the dead must be snatched from the oppressor. Each one has sworn to carry off to the Italian lines the body of a comrade killed in action.

Recently, during a reconnaissance, a Bohemian fell close to the enemy lines. Braving a hot fire, the explorers hurried to carry him off, fearing that in a night sortie the Austrians might get the body.

These "soldiers of death" know that if an operation fails of success they must kill themselves. To the ignominious death inflicted by the enemy they prefer suicide. Whether through death by the enemy or through their own hands, they have consecrated their lives to the distant fatherland, from which they have come to fight in the greatest cradle of all liberty and all ideals—Italy.

## Eliminate Weak and Unfit.

Rome, the ancient lighthouse of civility and of liberty, has substituted these new companions in arms for those of Russia. These warriors for the freedom of their country have found in the ranks of our own combatants fraternity and sturdy faith. This fraternity, more than common ideals for the redemption of their respective countries, is cemented by the knowledge and vision of the real difficulties and the resolution and firmness of purpose of the new combatants. From their own ranks on a spontaneous vote they have eliminated all about whose military vigor or enthusiasm there could be any doubt, so that the recruits represent the flower of the soldiery of the oppressed nationalities.

Drawn from the same country, speaking the same tongue, in the daily intimacy of their new military life, they have subjected each other to voluntary but inflexible tests. The results are confined only to their officers.

"Titas does not please me. He would not make a good corporal. We do not want him," they say. Thus, out of the ancient military system of Austria sprang elements of criticism which exclude the weak and unfit. The officers must heed these verdicts, which, like all collective judgments, arise from a full consensus of the judges.

## Elect Own Officers.

The examination of the political opinion is not less exacting for being carried out by fellow soldiers. A Czech recruit who spoke his mother tongue well was challenged by his compatriots. "He speaks our language well, but his heart is not Czech," they said. It was learned that during protracted business transactions in Vienna he had lost the fierceness and the intrepidity of the Bohemian character through daily contact with the Austrian authorities.

This control has been fraught with excellent results. Those who have survived the tests of the assembled judges have furnished the best war material and proved themselves dependable in military and moral affairs.

The officers are also elected by the soldiers, who trust their leaders with blind faith, and give them the most rigid obedience and discipline. Such discipline the new soldiers of liberty are taught by their remembrance of imperial oppression, to hold essential to the triumph of their cause.

## ITALY LIKES BASEBALL

Most Recent Victim of National Pastime Germ.

Football Popular as Well as Diamond Sport—Favored by Military Leaders.

New York.—One of the curious effects of the war is the international interest which has been aroused in American sports. Italy apparently is the most recent victim of the baseball germ, according to Dr. Felice Ferrero, director of the Italian bureau of information in this city.

Football, as played in America, as well as the national game of this country, also has taken hold of the popular interest in Italy. The Gazzetta dello Sport, one of the most influential sports journals of that country, is raising a fund for the purchase of baseballs, bats and footballs and the distribution of prizes among the soldiers to stimulate competition.

General Pennella, commander of the Second Italian army, in a letter to the Gazzetta dello Sport, says that football and baseball games are of inestimable value in the training for war. He praises the initiative of the Gazzetta dello Sport and says that he firmly believes that the stimulation of baseball and football competition among the various units of the Italian army will have the most gratifying and important results in maintaining the morale of the troops. General Pennella is especially pleased with baseball as an aid to training and the maintenance of the morale of the troops.

## THEY LOOK THE PART



It seems peculiarly appropriate that these German soldiers should look like the swine they imitate in their methods of warfare, though perhaps the porkery will object to the comparison. The type of gas mask used by the enemy gives them this repulsive swinish appearance that is topped off by the spiked German helmet.

## HE GOT THE RING FIRST

Young Man Prepared for Wedding and Did Not Worry About the Girl.

Cleveland, O.—Here's a young man who believes in the efficacy of preparedness.

With his young wife he appeared recently before Frank M. Kenney, chief clerk of local board No. 7 at Central armory.

"When did you buy the ring?" Mr. Kenney asked.

There was some discrepancy between the answers of the bride and the bridegroom and the clerk pressed for an explanation.

"Well, I'll tell you the truth," the man replied. "Some years ago I bought a watch on the installment plan and when it was paid for I thought the idea was a pretty good one. I figured to myself that some day I might want to get married, and thought it wouldn't be a bad idea to get the ring on the same plan."

"You mean you got the ring and kept it in your pocket until the right girl happened along?" Mr. Kenney inquired.

"That's just it, mister," the youth replied, unabashed. "This is the right girl, and we've just got married."

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